

IV. Remarks

The specification has been amended from a formal standpoint and the amendment does not constitute new matter.

Claims 1 through 5 are under consideration in the present application.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, an early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

The examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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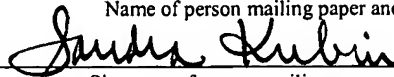
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